

**MINUTES  
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
JUNE 17, 2019  
6:30 P.M.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Brian and Sharon Freeman – Trash Nuisance**

They live out on Shalepit Road outside of Stonebluff Rd and there are 3 trailers in disrepair with toys, trash, inoperative cars and kids all around them. They spoke with Erich Haley from the Health Department, to get notices sent out. The county attorney will be working on stronger ordinances to better serve the county.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Don Hesler to approve the minutes of the June 3, 2019 meeting as presented. Vote: 3-0

**CLAIMS #1 - 132 / Payroll Claims**

A motion was made by Don Hesler and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the Claims. Vote: 3-0

**Review & Acknowledge Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation and Monthly Comparison Report of Funds**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Don Hesler to acknowledge the Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation for May 31, 2019 and Monthly Comparison Report of Funds. Vote: 3-0

**Ameresco – Mark Heirbrandt, Senior Account Executive  
& Commissioner Hamilton County  
Re: Courthouse feasibility Study**

Ameresco comes into buildings and determines whether or not they think they would be able to help facilitate renovations, heating/cooling etc. They then would conduct a feasibility study and ask for clearance to examine the bills. Basically, they are a Construction Manager and the engineer of the project. This was tabled and no decision was made.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**County Highway - Jason Lewis**

They currently have 2 vacant truck driver positions available. He asked for permission to fill the spots. The commissioners all agreed that he could.

**Ambulance - Garth Kagels**

The council approved the funds for a new ambulance earlier that day in the amount of \$162,945. The question was asked on what he planned on doing with the current V10 gas truck. The box on it is actually in really good shape and could be remounted on a new chassis. In order to do that, it has to be done by a certified ambulance company.

**A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Don Hesler to approve the purchase of a new ambulance in the amount of \$162,945.**

## **Judge – Stephanie Campbell**

### **Criminal Rule 26**

Pretrial Release Program that all courts and jails will participate in. The people that do not serve as a threat will be released with no bond after 72 hours.

They have also been working with JCAP with cooperation from Warren Co to start a Bi-County program for inmates at the new jail. The program would help inmates overcome addictions and help with mental disorders. This will start January 1, 2020.

### **2018 Annual Report – Highway Department**

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by Don Hesler to approve the Highway Annual Report.

Vote: 3-0

**Internet Quote** – NewWave Communications - This was tabled and no decision was made.

100meg fiber / 100meg transport - \$1,900.00 monthly x 12 months = \$22,800

### **Currently pay for the following monthly:**

Courthouse	\$434.62
Jail	\$139.62
E-911	\$149.62
EMA (AT&T)	\$109.08
Judge (AT&T) hotspot	\$ 58.08
Ext. Office (Purdue pays for their internet)	

### **Quotes for removal and replacing of concrete north and east side of Courthouse.**

Smart Lawns Landscaping & Hauling Inc. - \$17,578.77

This was tabled and no decision was made.

### **Ordinance 2019-2 Auditor Transfer Fees**

IC 36-2-9-18Endorsement on deed; tax identification number

(d)The legislative body of a county shall adopt an ordinance requiring the auditor to collect a fee in the amount of ten dollars (\$10) for each...

Amend Ordinance 2009-002 dated October 5, 2009

Currently collecting \$5 fee per legal description

\*Include all transfer document types: (ex: Affidavits, Transfer on Death, etc.)

\*Charge \$10 per legal description within deed

The general definition of deed is "a signed and usually sealed instrument containing some legal transfer, bargain or contract" so if it is a signed and sealed document that transfers property, we charge for it.

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded Don Hesler to approve the Ordinance.

Vote: 3-0

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY,  
JULY 1, 2019 8:30 A.M.**